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Conventions were held last night by the Republicans in each of the thirty-five Assembly districts in the city to select delegates to the State Convention, which will assemble at Saratoga next Tuesday. The Platt faction succeeded in electing 114 of the 135 delegates, and will represent New York, and may gain one or two more votes by the report of the Committee on Credentials.

Order prevailed in nearly all the districts, chiefly because of the presence of police, who had been detailed to attend the conventions in anticipation of possible battles between the followers and opponents of the Platt machine.

There were bolts in several of the districts and contesting delegations from this city will be quite the feature at Saratoga. In the First District the Platt delegates, in the other cases the Millhollands did not bolt.

Chairman Edward Lauterbach, of the County Committee, was elected a delegate in the Fifth and Twenty-eighth districts as well as being a candidate in the Twenty-ninth District, where he resides. His election from the two first districts insures him a seat in the State Convention and was decided upon in case of his defeat in the Twenty-ninth.

There was a lively contest in the First District. The anti-Platt faction, headed by the Heale brothers, took entire charge of the hall at No. 212 Greenwich street. Martin H. Heale assumed control of the convention and his younger brother, Eugene, stood guard at the front of the stairway leading to the hall. A squad of policemen was present to preserve order. Very few of the Platt delegates were present at the hall. Several rows were begun, but the presence of the police prevented any serious trouble. The Platt delegates held another convention, electing a contesting delegation. After the Heale convention selected delegates without any further trouble.

The Millhollands in the Fourteenth District started to cause trouble, and assume control of the convention. The Platt men were in a majority, however, and the Heale faction was forced to bolt. They held another convention and elected a separate set of delegates who will join the Platt faction at Saratoga.

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William Henkel, the anti-Platt leader in the Eighteenth District, had everything his own way, and several delegations which will vote against Platt on every question.

Charles K. Lexow, brother of State Senator Clarence Lexow, was in charge of the regular convention in the Twenty-second District, there being no opposition to his ticket. The anti-Platt faction, under the leadership of Thomas P. Egan, did not bolt at the convention, but held a primary election at which a separate set of delegates was selected. Egan said he would not be present at the primary, and he announced his intention of making a hot fight at Saratoga. The Platt delegates will be given the seats, however.

The anti-Platt delegates in the Twenty-sixth District mustered a strong force. There were thirty-three delegates on hand. The Platt faction presented to the convention a roll of delegates which had been certified by the County Committee, which gave the Platt faction forty-eight votes, or a majority of six. The Platt faction, however, was in the chair, and he decided against the roll submitted by the Platt delegates. The Platt delegates will support either Lieutenant-Governor Saxton or Comptroller Roberts.

Trouble in the Twenty-Eighth.
The District Convention of the Twenty-eighth Assembly District, held at No. 240 East Eighth street, was a scene of constant turmoil. The fact that Dr. Hax M. Smith had lately deserted the Platt faction, had been a source of trouble. The Platt forces made the leaders of both sides feel the force of a lively time, and as a result Acting Inspector Brooks and thirty policemen were on hand to maintain order. The Platt forces were called to order by John H. Gunner, and John J. C. Tiers was nominated for chairman by the Platt faction. With equal promptitude, the anti-Platt forces nominated Benjamin Oppenheimer. Amid a scene of the greatest confusion the vote was taken, and there was declared elected by a vote of 17 to 41. When the tumultuous scene was over, the presence of the police prevented a hand to hand conflict.

The Oppenheimer faction immediately withdrew from the hall and held a meeting on the upper floor of the building. While John J. C. Tiers was speaking over the Platt convention, the opposition met and elected Benjamin Oppenheimer as chairman. Two sets of delegates were made, the Platt people choosing Edward Lauterbach as one of their delegates.

PLATT AND HIS SLATE.
Concerning it He is Non-Committal, but the Old State Ticket May Be Named.

Thomas Platt, accompanied by a party of friends, will leave to-day for Saratoga, to attend the Republican State Convention, which meets in that place next Tuesday. They will travel on the "Saratoga Special," which runs only on Saturdays. Mr. Platt will have many conferences between the time he reaches Saratoga to-night and Tuesday. His intention from the start was to be in Saratoga, and then he will determine who is to be nominated for Governor and Lieutenant-Governor.

This will be no easy task for the Tiers leader, as several of his followers are candidates.

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Assemblyman Patrick Trainor, of the Tenth, said: "The outlook is promising in our district. We have a large German constituency, and they are coming out for Bryan in scores every day."

Commenting on these words of cheer Mr. Sheehan said: "These gentlemen are reflecting the situation as they find it. They know the voters they are talking about. It is on such reports as these that I base my prediction of a Bryan majority in New York County. I expect it four years ago."

TILLMAN TO THE FARMERS.

South Carolina Senator Makes a Speech in Pennsylvania Which Receives Some Hisses.

Mount Gretna, Pa., Aug. 21.—Twenty thousand people attended the exercises on Democratic Day to-day at the Mount Gretna Agricultural, Mechanical and Industrial Exposition. Addresses were made by United States Senator Benjamin R. Tillman, of South Carolina, and former Congressman J. B. Turner, of New York.

Senator Tillman told the Pennsylvania farmers that he was glad to meet with them, and that he was glad of changing the opinion that prevailed against him in the Eastern metropolis, that he was a Populist.

"There never was a greater error, I have never had anything to do with the Populist," he exclaimed. "There is no Populist in the State of South Carolina. It is as strong a Democratic State as any in the Union. I am a Democrat, and I am a Democrat of the stamp of Jefferson and Jackson—I am a Democrat who will split out of his month the un-democratic followers who have been calling me a Populist for the last four years. That is the kind of a man I am."

Mr. Tillman asked the farmers to read their protest. If they read them and if they would know that if Lincoln were living to-day he would be on the silver side; the enemies of the people for silver is the people's cause.

The reference to Lincoln drew forth a storm of hisses, and in regard to this unfavorable demonstration Mr. Tillman said: "Your hisses don't stop me, however, and I say to you again that Mr. Lincoln would be with the American people in this fight with the goldbugs of the East."

Mr. Tillman said Mr. Croker's speech last week at Madison Square was a tirade against the farmers. Its purpose being to persuade clerks and laboring men to maintain the gold standard, and the threat that if silver prevailed the necessities of life would double in price. The speaker thought the laboring man's wages would be doubled as a result of free coinage of silver, and he closed by asking the farmer who represented 35,000,000 of people in the United States, to vote in his own interest.

TOLD OF THE CAMPAIGN GIRL.

Miss Helen Varick Boswell Says She Is Much Like Leap Year.

The West End Auxiliary of the Woman's National Republican Association met at its rooms, No. 102 West Eighty-second street, yesterday. Mrs. Clarence Burns, president, called the meeting to order.

Miss Helen Varick Boswell told the members of the "Campaign Girl," who, she said, like leap-year, appeared once every four years. Although the subject of much fun, the "Campaign Girl" accomplishes a great deal, and gets many good afternoon teas in exchange for her smiles. Miss Boswell hopes the club will have many results among young women.

Mrs. Florence Kirkwood read an interesting paper on "Money; Its Origin," tracing it from the time it took the form of bits of leather down to the present day. Miss Marguerite Arling Hamer said some bright things about women and silver and Miss Edith Sessions Tupper told of the struggles of silver workers in Colorado. In justification of her belief in metallism.

Eight new members joined the club—Mrs. C. E. Egan, Mrs. M. E. Egan, Mrs. George Eugene Poole, Mrs. S. T. Bell, Mrs. H. A. La Fough, Miss L. E. Repton and Mrs. Lawrence Roth.

Mrs. Pierce will discuss the money question before the club at its next meeting, two weeks from yesterday.

FLOWER IS FOR M'KINLEY.

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Waterbury, N. Y., Aug. 21.—Roswell P. Flower's Gold Democrat Club, which was started here some time ago, perfected its organization to-night. The club now claims a membership of 157, although several of the original signers have come out over their own signatures and declared that they will vote for the candidates of the Chicago Convention.

There were not over fifty people in the hall at the meeting to-night. Ex-Governor Flower was attended by a number of his intimates on literature, public meetings and membership were appointed.

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Democrats Sweep Niagara County.

Lockport, N. Y., Aug. 21.—The Democratic organization, headed by George W. Batten, John R. Earl and Alderman C. E. Foley, last night carried a sweeping victory in Niagara County, and reports go to show that the old machine wing has carried every town and ward in the county. This is an assurance of the support of Niagara County for State Committee men, to succeed W. Cary Day. The County Committee has adopted the plan of indorsing Bryan and the Democratic platform.

Accepts Atkinson's Challenge.

Boston, Aug. 21.—Edward Atkinson recently challenged the free silver men to public debate in Brookline and Colonel S. W. Nickerson, president of the Massachusetts Bimetallist Union, on Tuesday, has accepted the challenge. Atkinson will open the argument. He also will have the press "to the end that the silver side of the argument will be made as much as possible in the columns of the newspapers as he will obtain for his side of the discussion."

Silver Men Won This Game.

Winsted, Conn., Aug. 21.—Representatives of the gold and silver advocates of this town yesterday held a tea on the subject of the silver question. The silver men won the game by a vote of 15 to 5. Democrats regard the result as such a success as a happy augury of the outcome in November.

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